THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) Yes, Sir. 2437/2438 Nizamuddin- Secunderabad Rajdhani Express (weekly) has been introduced *w.e.f.* 17.02.2002.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Encroachment of Railway land

f3467. SHRI VIJAY SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn towards the increasing encroachments on railway land alongwith the rail lines;

(b) if so, the details of railway land encroached upon;

(c) whether Government propose to launch a campaign to vacate the encroached land from occupation of encroachers; and

(d) the details of encroachment on railway land under Danapur Division of Eastern Railway?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) to (d) There are approximately 1.5 lakh no. of encroachments covering an area of approximately 2162 hectares of railway land, out of which approximately 1500 no. of encroachments covering an area of approximately 2 hectares are in Danapur Division of Eastern Railway. Railways are engaged in a continuous exercise to remove encroachments from their land as per provisions of Public Premises (Eviction of Uauthorised Occupants) Act, 1971, and as per provisions of the Railways Act, 1989.

Dholpur Gangapur City new rail line

†3468. SHRI MOOLCHAND MEENA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) for how many new rail lines surveys have been conducted in the country, during the last few years;

(b) the estimated cost as per the survey for laying new rail line between Dholpur and Gangapur City; and

(c) by when work on this rail line would be started after the approval?

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.